

**FOOTHILL/EASTERN TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES**

**January 19, 2006
9:30 a.m.**

Adjourned Regular Meeting

**Mission Viejo City Hall
200 Civic Center
Mission Viejo, CA 92691**

I. CALL TO ORDER

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
(Chairman Ryan)**

**INVOCATION
(Director MacLean)**

ROLL CALL

Chairman Ken Ryan	City of Yorba Linda
Director Larry Agran	City of Irvine
Director Jerry Amante	City of Tustin
Director Lara Anderson	City of Dana Point
Director Lisa Bist	City of Santa Ana
Director Bill Campbell	County of Orange, 3 rd District
Director Jim Dahl	City of San Clemente
Director Lorri Galloway	City of Anaheim
Director Peter Herzog	City of Lake Forest
Director Lance MacLean	City of Mission Viejo
Director Mark Murphy	City of Orange
Director Chris Norby	County of Orange, 4 th District
Director David Swerdlin	City of San Juan Capistrano
Vice Chairman Jim Thor	City of Rancho Santa Margarita
Alternate Veale for Wilson	County of Orange, 5 th District
Cindy Quon, Ex Officio Member	Caltrans

ACTION: Move Closed Session to this position on agenda.

MOTION: Thor
SECOND: Dahl
VOTE: Unanimous

IV. CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9, Subdivision (b). One Matter

II. BOARD BUSINESS

1. **SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE
IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (SOCTIIP)**
FINAL SUBSEQUENT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (SEIR)
(Macie Cleary-Milan, Deputy Director, Environmental Planning)
(Maria Levario, Principal Environmental Analyst)

REPORT NO. 7: (2006F-004)

TCA Staff recommendation for the Locally Preferred Alternative is the A7C-FEC-M (Green) Alternative with a maximum of six lanes. The Preferred Alternative is the product of twenty years of analysis of the southern extension of State Route 241 by local and state transportation planning agencies and six years of extensive discussions and analysis by state and federal transportation and environmental agencies including U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (UFWS), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Caltrans and the TCA. All of the above agencies participated in a rigorous six year evaluation of the South Orange County Transportation Infrastructure Improvement Project (SOCTIIP) alternatives. Selection of the Preferred Alternative represents a coordinated balanced approach to minimizing harm to both the natural and built environments.

The EPA and Army Corps of Engineers have preliminarily determined that the Preferred Alternative is the Least Environmentally Damaging Practicable Alternative (LEDPA). The USFWS has preliminarily indicated that the Preferred Alternative will comply with applicable requirements of the Endangered Species Act. The Army Corps of Engineers will make the final decision on the LEDPA and a determination of compliance with the Clean Water Act requirements.

Chairman Ryan announced that the Board had received a letter the day before this meeting from the Secretary of California Resources Agency and the Secretary of the State of California Business, Transportation and Housing Agency. The Secretaries requested additional time for the state to review comments and concerns, specifically 30 days. Chairman Ryan indicated that after 24 years of evaluation and study, this Board was ready to make a decision regarding the extension of Foothill-South; h—However, after all the years and public comment, it was deemed prudent to grant the 30 day extension for a date certain, specifically, February 23rd, at the TCA offices for discussion and decision.

ACTION: Continue item and adjourn meeting until February 23rd, TCA offices, 9:30 a.m.

MOTION: Norby
SECOND: Amante

Chairman Ryan asked if there was any discussion from the Directors. Director Herzog registered his disapproval of the 30 day continuance. He indicated that the State of California had known about this process for over 20 years. Director MacLean stated that transportation in the State of California was on the brink of disaster. He said a 30 day delay was unacceptable. Several Directors spoke in favor of the 30 day continuance. Director Ryan called for a roll-call vote on the continuance.

VOTE: Yes: Ryan, Agran, Amante, Anderson, Bist, Campbell, Galloway,
Murphy, Norby, Swerdlin, Thor, Veale
No: Dahl, Herzog, MacLean
Abstain: None

This item was continued to the February 23, 2006 meeting at TCA Offices, 125 Pacifica, Irvine, CA 92618.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Ryan asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak on an off-agenda item. There were no speakers.

4. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT (William Woollett, Jr., Chief Executive Officer)

There was no CEO report.

5. DIRECTORS' REPORTS AND NEW BUSINESS (Ken Ryan, Chairman)

There was no new business.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to motion, meeting was adjourned to February 23, 2006, 9:30 a.m., TCA Offices, 125 Pacifica, Irvine, CA 92618.